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Letter dated 28 December 2017 from the Chair of the Committee established pursuant to resolution 2374 (2017) concerning Mali addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant resolution 2374 (2017) concerning Mali, containing an account of the Committee's activities from 5 September to 31 December 2017. The report, which was approved by the Committee, is being submitted in accordance with the note by the President of the Security Council of 29 March 1995 (S/1995/234).

I should be grateful if the present letter and the report were brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

(*Signed*) Olaf **Skoog**
Chair
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I. Introduction

1. The present report of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2374 (2017) concerning Mali covers the period from 5 September to 31 December 2017. It is the first annual report of the Committee.

2. The Bureau of the Committee consisted of Olof Skoog (Sweden) as Chair.

II. Background

3. By its resolution 2374 (2017), the Security Council imposed a travel ban and an asset freeze on individuals and entities designated by the Committee in accordance with the listing criteria delineated in paragraph 8 of the resolution. Exemptions to the measures were provided for in the resolution. By the same resolution, the Council established the Committee to oversee the implementation of the sanctions measures and a panel of experts working under the direction of the Committee.

III. Summary of the activities of the Committee

4. The Committee did not hold any formal or informal consultations; however, it conducted its work through written procedures.

IV. Exemptions

5. Exemptions to the travel ban are set out in paragraph 2 of resolution 2374 (2017).

6. Exemptions to the asset freeze are set out in paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 of resolution 2374 (2017).

7. No notifications or exemption requests were received by the Committee.

V. Sanctions list

8. The criteria for the designation of individuals and entities subject to the travel ban and asset freeze are set out in paragraph 8 of resolution 2374 (2017). The procedures for listing and delisting are described in the Committee's guidelines for the conduct of its work.

VI. Panel of Experts

9. On 12 December, pursuant to paragraph 11 of resolution 2374 (2017), the Secretary-General appointed four individuals to serve on the Panel of Experts on Mali, with expertise in the areas of armed groups, humanitarian affairs, finance and regional issues (see S/2017/1047). The mandate of the Panel expires on 4 October 2018.

VII. Secretariat administrative and substantive support

10. The Security Council Affairs Division provided substantive and procedural support to the Chair and the members of the Committee. Advisory support was also provided to Member States to promote understanding of the sanctions regime and facilitate the implementation of the sanctions measures. Induction briefings were also provided to incoming members of the Council to familiarize them with the specific issues relevant to the sanctions regime.

11. The Division assisted in activities related to the establishment of the Committee and the Panel of Experts, including the creation of the Committee website and the recruitment of experts.

12. To support the Committee in its recruitment of well-qualified experts to serve on sanctions monitoring groups, teams and panels, a note verbale was sent to all Member States on 11 December to request the nomination of qualified candidates for membership in the roster of experts. In addition, a note verbale was sent to all Member States on 11 September notifying them of upcoming vacancies on the Panel of Experts and providing information on recruitment timelines, areas of expertise and pertinent requirements.